(b) what are the targets of power production; and

(c) how Government propose to achieve the target and remove the shortfall?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) The installed capacity in the country an on 31-3-1988 was 54246.60 megawatt.

(b) The energy generation target for 1988-89 has been fixed at 226.5 Billion Units.

(c) In order to achieve the target, various measures are being taken which include expediting commissioning of additional capacity, early stabilisation of newly commissioned units, improving the performance of the existing thermal power stations, reducing transmission and distribution losses, implementation of energy conservation and demand management measures, and implementing short gestation projects.

Job Reservations for Bhopal Gas Victims

1445. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government and Madhya Pradesh Government are proposing to reserve jobs for the family members of the Bhopal gas tragedy victims; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b) No special statutory reservation in jobs has been made for family members of Bhopal gas victims. However, gainful occupational opportunities for the affected persons are being created through the rehabilitation measures initiated by the Government of Madhya Pradesh.

Clearance of Hydro-Electric Power Projects

1446. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of thermal and hydro-electric power projects cleared by Central Government, State-wise during 1987-88;

(b) what is the capacity generation of these projects alongwith the amount invested; and

(c) the number of these projects which are in the public and private sectors?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) and (b) 31 thermal and hydro-electric power projects were approved during 1987-88. State-wise details are given in the enclosed statement (See below).

(c) 30 projects are in the public sector and 1 project is in the private sector.